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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Philippe SAUER et al.

Serial No.: 09/341,119

Group Art Unit: 1651

Filed: November 18, 1999

Examiner: F. Prats

Title: RAPID AND SIMPLE PROCESS FOR ISOLATION OF CIRCULAR NUCLEIC ACIDS

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

The instant paper corrects an inadvertent error in numbering the claims submitted in the Amendment filed August 14, 2001.

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel the second claim numbered "36" as submitted in the Amendment filed August 14, 2001, i.e., the last claim submitted, and add the following claim.

37. The kit of claim 36, wherein the additional buffers are resuspension buffers, lysis buffers, washing buffers, or elution buffers.

REMARKS

Claims 14-37 are pending.

Claim 37, added hereby, is identical to the second claim numbered "36" in the Amendment filed August 14, 2001, i.e., the last claim presented in the amendment.


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That is, two claims were numbered "36" in the Amendment filed August 14, 2001, i.e., the penultimate claim presented, which was correctly numbered, and the last claim presented, which should have been numbered --37--, instead of "36." Also, as a result, the Amendment "Remarks" set forth that new claims 14-36 were presented; whereas, the Remarks should have indicated that new claims 14-37 were presented. Applicants' undersigned representative apologizes for the error and regrets any resulting inconvenience to the Examiner, as well as to the PTO in general.

Favorable action is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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